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Lloyd Loar's Hometown Bluegrass Festival at Dickson Mounds August 18

LEWISTOWN, IL – Dickson Mounds Museum is hosting the first annual Lloyd Loar's Hometown Bluegrass Festival on Saturday, August 18 from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Visitors may enjoy performances by Bill Robinson & Friends, Orpheus Mandolin Orchestra, Mark Dvorak, Amelia Sweet Bluebird Stamsta, and The Three Pickin' Toms. Bill Robinson will be leading a workshop beginning at 10:30 a.m. Participants may also enjoy workshops and impromptu jam sessions. Sign-up for the open mic begins at 10:00 a.m. Spots are limited.

The festival will be held rain or shine. Performances will be held on the Museum's outdoor stage. Bring along chairs, blankets, and any other necessary items. In the case of inclement weather, the festival will be moved indoors. A schedule of activities is available online at dicksonmounds.com and on Facebook at Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds. Admission is free; however, donations are greatly appreciated.

*Please note that there will not be a Hickory Ridge Concert on August 18 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. Amelia Sweet Bluebird Stamsta will be playing during the day as part of the festival.

The Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds is located between Lewistown and Havana off Illinois Routes 78 and 97. The museum is open free to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. Tours and special programs are available for groups with reservations. For more information call 309-547-3721 or TTY 217-782-9175. Also visit us on Facebook at Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds or online at the Dickson Mounds link on the Illinois State Museum website at www.illinoisstatemuseum.org.